

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1 to 3, 5 to 9, 17 and 21 to 36 without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter and add new Claims 37 to 44 as shown below. The claims, as pending in the subject application, read as follows:

1. to 36. (Canceled)

37. (New) An online service system comprising:

a client terminal;

a transfer server; and

a plurality of service providing apparatuses each capable of communicating via a network,

wherein the client terminal is connected with a device, and the client terminal comprises:

an acquisition unit that acquires accessory information indicating a state of accessories of the device;

a first transmission unit that transmits the acquired accessory information to the transfer server by using a first address for accessing the transfer server, the accessory information being added to the first address;

a reception unit that receives, from the transfer server, a second address to which the accessory information is added, the second address for accessing a service providing apparatus designated by the transfer server; and

a second transmission unit that transmits the accessory information to the designated service providing apparatus by using the second address,

wherein the transfer server comprises:

an address generation unit that designates one of the plurality of service providing apparatuses based on the accessory information added to the first address, and generates the second address by adding the accessory information to an address for accessing the designated service providing apparatus; and

a notification unit that notifies the client terminal of the second address, and

wherein the service providing apparatus comprises:

a screen information generation unit that generates screen information of the accessories of the device based on the accessory information added to the second address, when the access by using the second address is received from the client terminal; and

a screen information transmission unit that transmits the generated screen information to the client terminal.

38. (New) The system according to claim 37, wherein the client terminal has driver software of the device, and acquisition processing by the acquisition unit is executed according to the driver software.

39. (New) The system according to claim 37, wherein the device is a printer, the accessory information includes information indicating ink remaining amount of the printer, and the screen information generation unit generates the screen information for displaying icons corresponding to the ink remaining amount.

40. (New) The system according to claim 37, wherein the device is a printer, the accessory information includes information indicating a printer driver language of the printer, and the service providing apparatus is designated by the transfer server based on the printer driver language.

41. (New) A client terminal connected with a device and being capable of communicating with a transfer server and a service providing apparatus, the client terminal comprising:

- an acquisition unit that acquires accessory information indicating a state of accessories of the device;

- a first transmission unit that transmits the acquired accessory information to the transfer server by using a first address for accessing the transfer server, the accessory information being added to the first address;

- an address reception unit that receives, from the transfer server, a second address to which the accessory information added to the first address is added, the second address for accessing a service providing apparatus designated by the transfer server based on the accessory information;

- a second transmission unit that transmits the accessory information to the designated service providing apparatus by using the second address to which the accessory information is added; and

- a screen information reception unit that receives screen information on the accessories of the device from the service providing apparatus, the screen information

being generated by the service providing apparatus based on the accessory information transmitted by the second transmission unit.

42. (New) The client terminal according to claim 41, wherein the device is a printer,

the accessory information includes printer driver language information of the printer, ink remaining amount information of the printer, and model information of the printer,

the service providing apparatus is designated by the transfer server based on the printer driver language information among the accessory information, and

the screen information on the accessories of the device is generated by the service providing apparatus according to the ink remaining amount information and model information among the accessory information.

43. (New) A method for a client terminal connected with a device and being capable of communicating with a transfer server and a service providing apparatus, the method comprising:

acquiring accessory information indicating a state of accessories of the device;

a first transmission step of transmitting the acquired accessory information to the transfer server by using a first address for accessing the transfer server, the accessory information being added to the first address;

a first reception step of receiving, from the transfer server, a second address to which the accessory information added to the first address is added, the second address for accessing a service providing apparatus designated by the transfer server based on the accessory information;

a second transmission step of transmitting the accessory information to the designated service providing apparatus by using the second address to which the accessory information is added; and

a second reception step of receiving screen information on the accessories of the device from the service providing apparatus, the screen information being generated by the service providing apparatus based on the accessory information transmitted by the second transmission step.

44. (New) A computer-readable recording medium on which is stored a program for causing a computer to execute a method for a client terminal connected with a device and being capable of communicating with a transfer server and a service providing apparatus, the method comprising:

acquiring accessory information indicating a state of accessories of the device;

a first transmission step of transmitting the acquired accessory information to the transfer server by using a first address for accessing the transfer server, the accessory information being added to the first address;

a first reception step of receiving, from the transfer server, a second address to which the accessory information added to the first address is added, the second address

for accessing a service providing apparatus designated by the transfer server based on the accessory information;

a second transmission step of transmitting the accessory information to the designated service providing apparatus by using the second address to which the accessory information is added; and

a second reception step of receiving screen information on the accessories of the device from the service providing apparatus, the screen information being generated by the service providing apparatus based on the accessory information transmitted by the second transmission step.